State of Wisconsin Homeland Security Council

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Dear Citizens,

On March 18, 2003 and pursuant to Executive Order #7, Governor Jim Doyle created the Homeland Security Council comprised of members representing the offices of State Patrol (DOT), Public Health (DHFS), Capitol Police (CapPol), Justice Assistance (OJA), Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI), Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) and the Department of Military Affairs (DMA). As Chairman, I am responsible for advising the Governor and coordinating the efforts of state agencies and local officials with regard to prevention of, and response to, threats to the homeland security of Wisconsin.

We approach the security of our state and nation from a sense of shared responsibility. While we have great confidence in the ability of our military, law enforcement, firefighters, public health workers, emergency medical workers and other first responders, it is everyone's responsibility to ensure public safety and security. Together, we can do our very best to keep Wisconsin safe from acts of terrorism through awareness, communication, and by taking the necessary precautions outlined in the attached State of Wisconsin Threat Conditions and Security Guidelines.

These Guidelines are designed to provide you with valuable information that is easily tailored to your situation. As the threat condition changes, the Governor may add additional security requirements or relax those previously identified. Similarly, appropriate security or protective measures required for specific locations within the State may be different. Therefore, implementation of the protective measures in these Guidelines may vary by geographic area or even by facility. Each respective State Department or Agency Head is responsible to determine how best to apply security, or the recommended protective measures, in response to the Governor's directive. In addition to the Guidelines, additional information can be obtained by phone at (608) 242-3232, at http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov/html/homeland_security.html, or by mail at Wisconsin Emergency Management, 2400 Wright Street, Madison, WI 53704.

When it comes to safety and security, we fully realize that the best information and precautionary actions start at the local level. We hope these Guidelines serve as a useful tool to preserve and protect our State both now and for future generations.

Sincerely,

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